



It is difficult to address many of the complex needs our consumers face when there are financial obstacles in the way. Listed below are some programs in Allegheny County providing monetary assistance. If a consumer belongs to a church or other religious institution, it may be a good idea to suggest that they call there for help. Many churches can assist consumers with urgent financial needs.

## **Housing Assistance**

**Urban League, Housing Assistance Program, (City - 412-227-4804, County - 412-227-4812)  
610 Wood Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, alternative numbers: 412-227-4201, 412-227-4203**

The Housing Assistance Program provides a one-time rental grant to landlords on behalf of eligible men, women and children of Allegheny County who are in a homeless or near homeless (Magistrate Notice) situation. The grant aids in establishing and maintaining permanent affordable housing.

**Department of Public Assistance, Emergency Shelter Assistance Fund, 412-565-2146**

Provides financial assistance in order to prevent eviction or foreclosure, obtain permanent housing, or obtain temporary shelter. Consumers must be receiving public assistance benefits to qualify.

**Action Housing, Mortgage Assistance Program, 412-281-2102, [www.actionhousing.org](http://www.actionhousing.org)**

ACTION-Housing's Mortgage Assistance Program and the Pennsylvania Homeowners Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program (HEMAP - 800-342-2397) enable long-term unemployed homeowners to save their homes from foreclosure through counseling and direct financial assistance.

## **General Financial Assistance**

**Allegheny Valley Association of Churches, Emergency Financial Assistance, 724-226-0606**

The Emergency Assistance program provides short-term emergency assistance to families and individuals in need in the Allegheny Valley area. We help with rent and utility payment assistance, emergency food, clothing and shoe vouchers, gasoline vouchers, bus passes, prescriptions and referrals.

**Catholic Charities / Basic Needs Assistance Line, 412-456-6976**

A small amount of financial aid is given to an individual in crisis. Additional consideration may be given to senior citizens. Funds are used for emergency financial needs and are not applicable to rent or security deposits. Consumers need not be referred by a social service agency.

**North Hills Community Outreach, 412-487-6316, [www.nhco.org](http://www.nhco.org)**

Provides emergency food and financial assistance to families in crisis (i.e. food, energy assistance, budgeting, case management). Consumers must live in school districts of Hampton, Shaler, North Hills, North Allegheny, Pine-Richland, Northgate, Deer Lakes, Fox Chapel and Avonworth.

**Pittsburgh Presbytery - Lazarus Fund, 412-697-7390**

Provides a one-time \$200 grant to help with past due rent and utility bills. Consumers must call to apply for the Lazarus Fund. Consumers must live in Allegheny County.

**Salvation Army - 412-446-1500**

Assistance may be provided for help with food, clothing and utility bills pending availability. Call the phone number above with the zip code of the person in need, to be referred to the consumer's local Salvation Army Unit.

**St. Vincent DePaul Society - Main Office Number 412-321-1071 \*205**

**[www.svdppitt.org/services.html](http://www.svdppitt.org/services.html)**

Emergency help to those in need of material assistance: services provided through a volunteer network of the parishes of the Catholic Church and rendered according to availability. Services include referral counseling, food distribution, and application utility assistance. Organizations can apply to be 'partner agency' and can get direct help for those they serve. Contact the number above to be referred to the consumer's local church or the central office will assist.

